

Title 49 Education
Chapter 2 Local Administration
Part 12 Consolidation of Systems

Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-2-1201 (2011)

(i) In developing any consolidation plan, the planning commission shall consider and provide for the following:

- (1)** Administrative organization of the proposed consolidated system;
- (2)** A method to ensure no diminution in the level of the educational service in the schools in any of the systems involved;
- (3)** Appropriate means for the transfer of assets and liabilities of municipal and special school district systems;
- (4)** Plans for disposition of existing bonded indebtedness that shall not impair the rights of any bondholder;
- (5)** Plans for preserving the existing pension rights of all teachers and nonteaching personnel in the respective systems;
- (6)** Plans for preserving the existing tenure rights, sick leave rights and salary schedule rights of all teachers and nonteaching personnel in the respective systems;
- (7)** Appropriate plans for contributions by municipalities or special school districts to the county for the operation of a unified system of schools during the period of transition following unification, which period shall not exceed three (3) years;
- (8)** Appropriate plans for reapportionment after each federal decennial census of districts for election of members of the school board; and
- (9)** Any other matters deemed by the planning commission to be pertinent.